

ENDANGERED SPECIES OBSERVER PROGRAM

Dredge *STUYVESANT* - Tampa Bay, FL

USACE, Jacksonville District

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Are there incidents involving endangered or protected species? Yes X No

LOAD # 170 Times: Start 2255 End 0150 Dump 0250

Location(lat/long) Stations 337+00-468+00 Tide 0.92

Weather Skies cloudy, Winds NE 5-8 knots, Seas 2'-3' H₂O Surf.Temp 74°F

Below Mid-Depth

Port Draghead Not being used, under repairs Deflector: NA

Stbd Draghead Loggerhead, cable, rocks Deflector: OK

Inflow
~~Port Discharge~~ Screening Rock, shell

 Overflow
~~Stbd Discharge~~ Screening Intestine, sea pork, whelk egg case, trash, butterfly ra

Comments: Large adult female loggerhead was found hanging in the
inner side of the draghead. About 65% of the carapace and all
the major organs and intestines were missing. 49 cm of intestine
was found in the overflow. The posterior portion of the carapace
had 14 barnacles on it. The anterior flipper had numerous small
barnacles on it. The fore flipper measured 40 cm by 14 cm. The tail
was measured at 13.5 cm. The turtle was photographed in the draghead
and both ventral and dorsal sides. The turtle will be weighed down
and disposed of at the disposal site.

Bridge Watch Summary

Species	# of Animals	Time	Location & Comments
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Observer(s) On Duty: